

COURSE SYLLABUS

Advanced human ecology - The Concept of Sustainability through the lens of Historical Sciences

2526-102R-01

Title

Advanced Human Ecology - The Concept of Sustainability through the lens of Historical Sciences

Teacher

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Language

English

Short description

Human ecology - 1 hour

Earth systems and History: Natural History // Environmental History // Ecological History // Human history - 1 hours

Homo sapiens - 1 hour

The Anthropocene epoch - 1 hour

A continent into the Anthropocene: ecological history of Europe - 1 hour

The Past to guide our Future: How historical sciences can help shape a sustainable future – 1 hours

Discussion with students, hands-on reading of manuscripts and reports; term papers (or group presentations – depending on class size) – 2 hours

Target audience

PhD students with not specific knowledge or skills (both in sustainability or historical sciences), but that are interested in understanding how an historical approach can be useful to understand the present epoch of the Anthropocene.

Maximum number of participants

30

Assessment method

Approved/Not approved after discussion and presentations into the classroom

CFU / Hours

1 CFU / 8 hours

Teaching period and mode

24/02/26 4.30 - 6.30 pm U6-1C

26/02/26 4.30 - 6.30 pm U6-1C

2/03/26 4.30 - 6.30 pm U6-10

3/03/26 4.30 - 6.30 pm U6-1C

course registration on “Segreterie online”: from 26/01/2026 to 18/02/2026

Sustainable Development Goals

NO POVERTY | ZERO HUNGER | GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING | QUALITY EDUCATION | GENDER EQUALITY | CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION | AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY | DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH | INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE | REDUCED INEQUALITIES | SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES | RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION | CLIMATE ACTION | LIFE BELOW WATER | LIFE ON LAND

